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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Provisional agenda, annotations to the provisional agenda and suggestions for the organization of work

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
3. Review of the current market situation and outlook
4. Other business
5. Adoption of the report of the Second Ad Hoc Review Meeting.

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Pursuant to the decision adopted by the Ad Hoc Review Meeting on Bauxite at its 4th meeting on 17 May 1991, and taking into account the results of consultations held with producers and consumers of bauxite, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is convening the Second Ad Hoc Review Meeting on Bauxite on 29 and 30 April 1993.

Item 1: Election of officers

The Ad Hoc Review Meeting may wish to elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur, in accordance with normal practice. In this event, one position would be held by a producing country and the other by a consuming country.

Item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The provisional agenda, as reproduced in section I above, has been drawn up taking into account the views expressed by producers and consumers in the consultations. Suggestions concerning the organization of work are contained in section III.

Item 3: Review of the current market situation and outlook

To assist discussions on this item, two background documents prepared by the secretariat are being submitted to the Second Ad Hoc Review Meeting, namely: "Market situation and outlook for bauxite, alumina and aluminium" (TD/B/CN.1/RM/BAUXITE/2), and "Bauxite, alumina and aluminium statistics 1982-1991" (TD/B/CN.1/RM/BAUXITE/3).

III. SUGGESTIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The Meeting has two working days available to it from 29 to 30 April 1993. The Secretary-General of UNCTAD, or his representative, will open the Meeting. Following the election of officers and the adoption of the agenda, individual delegations may wish to make general statements. It is suggested that the morning of Thursday, 29 April, be allocated for these purposes.

With regard to item 3 of the agenda, the Meeting may wish to conduct its deliberations in an informal working group. It is suggested that the afternoon of Thursday, 29 April, and the morning of Friday, 30 April, be devoted to work in such an informal working group. The proceedings of the informal working group would be summarized by the Chairman at the closing plenary meeting on the afternoon of Friday, 30 april, when the report of the Meeting is adopted (item 5).